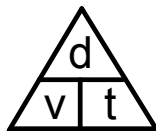


## 1.6 Applications of Linear Systems: dvt Problems

Some strategies:

1. Identify what the question wants. This may tell you one or both of your variables.

2. Remember  $d = v t$



3. Use a table to fill in known and unknown values to help form your equations.

4. Make sure your units are all consistent.

Ex. 1. Alex drove 500 km from Ottawa to Toronto in  $5 \frac{1}{2}$  h. He drove part of the way at 100 km/h, and the rest of the way at 80 km/h. How far did he drive at each speed?

	distance (d)	speed (v)	time (t)
faster part	X	100 km/h	$\frac{x}{100}$
slower part	y	80 km/h	$\frac{y}{80}$
Total	500	—	5.5

$$\begin{aligned} \textcircled{1} & (x + y = 500) \times 8 \\ \textcircled{2} & \left[ \frac{x}{100} + \frac{y}{80} = 5.5 \right] \times 800 \end{aligned}$$

$$8x + 10y = 4400$$

$$- \quad 8x + 8y = 4000$$

$$\frac{2y}{2} = \frac{400}{2}$$

$$y = 200$$

Sub  $y=200$   
into  $\textcircled{1}$

$$x + y = 500$$

$$x + 200 = 500$$

$$x = 300$$

Ex.2 Emily travelled 95 km from Oakville to Oshawa by car and

GO train. The car averaged 60 km/h, and the train averaged 90 km/h. The whole trip took 1.5 hours. How long was she in the car?

*time* →

	distance (d)	speed (v)	time (t)
CAR	60x	60 km/h	x
GO train	90y	90 km/h	y
Total	95	—	1.5

$$\textcircled{1} x + y = 1.5$$

$$y = 1.5 - x$$

$$\textcircled{2} 60x + 90(1.5 - x) = 95$$

$$60x + 135 - 90x = 95$$

$$\text{sub } x = 1.33 \text{ into } \textcircled{1} \quad -30x = 95 - 135$$

$$y = 1.5 - 1.33 \quad -30x = -40$$

$$y = 0.17 \quad x = 1.33$$

∴ she was in the car for approx 1 hour and 20 min.

Ex.3 A boat took 2 h to travel 24 km down a river with the current and 3 h to make the return trip against the current. Find the speed of the boat in still water and the speed of the current.

	distance (d)	speed (v)	time (t)
current	24	$y + x$	2
against current	24	$y - x$	3
Total	48	$v = \frac{d}{t}$	5

$$\textcircled{1} y + x = 12$$

$$\textcircled{2} y - x = 8$$

→ let x represent the speed of the current  
let y represent the speed of the boat

## Assigned Work:

p.27 # 8

p.55 # 13

p.64 # 7

and the dvt worksheet